Gas Reserves in the country

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Will the Minister of PETROLEUM & NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) what are the explored and available gas reserves in the country;

(b) what is yearly exploitation from these reserves at present;

(c) what is the demand, supply and short falls;

(d) what is the Capital invested so far in oil exploration and what is the capital required to exploit enough gas to meet the growing demand including investment in reduction to zero gas flaring project; and

(e) what are the on-going projects for exploration and exploitation of gas by Government Agencies, Semi-Government Agencies and Privatge Agencies?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND): (a) to (c) Balance recoverable reserves of natural gas as on 1.1.92 were 730 billion cubic metres. The production of natural gas in 1991 was 18.65 billion cubic metres. While allocation of about 90 million cubic metres per day have been made based on estimates of availability, demand of about 240 MMSCMD is registered with GAIL.

(d) and (e) Cumulative expenditure so far on exploration for oil and gas by ONGC and OIL is about Rs. 7868.7 crores. Investment planned in the Eighth plan period by these two companies on gas development schemes is about Rs. 9732.78 crores which includes Rs. 5650 crores for the Gas Flaring Reduction Project. Other on-going projects which include gas development include additional development of L-II and L-III reservoirs of Bombay High field, Neelam, R-15A, Ravva, Panna, Gandhar, S 1 Sand, ICP-Heera Pipeline, Second Bassein Hazira Pipeline and expansion of Hazira Gas Terminal. While no projects for exploration and exploitation of gas are presently being implemented by semi-Government or private agencies, contracts for four blocks have been finalised with private companies for exploration of oil and gas under the Fourth Round of bidding and several oil and gas fields have been offered to private companies for development including the Mid and South Tapti gas field in the Western offshore.

खाना पकाने की गैस के सिलेन्डरों से संबंधित शिकायतें

336. **श्री शांति त्यागी: क्या पेट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:**

(क) क्या सरकार को यह जानकारी है कि खाना पकाने की गैस के सिलेन्डरों में निर्धारित तोल से कम गैस होने की शिकायतों में वृद्धि हो रही है;

(ख) यदि हां, तो उसके कारण क्या है;

(ग) इस मामले में कौन-कौन से सुधारात्मक उपाय किए जा रहे हैं; और

(घ) चालू वर्ष के दौरान इसके कारण दोषी पाए गए खाना पकाने की गैस के विक्रेताओं तथा गैस भरने की कर्पनियों के अधिकारियों के विरूद्ध कितने मामले दर्ज किए गए?

पेट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्री (श्री बी॰ शंकरानन्द): (क) से (घ) सूचना एकत्र की जा रही है और सभा पटल पर रख दिया जाएगा।